

# THE NORFOLK WEEKLY NEWS.

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## OLYMPIA JOINS FLEET.

Dewey's Flagship Makes Triumphant Journey Up the Bay.

REAR ADMIRAL HOWISON IN PORT.

Two Commanders Exchange Greetings While Passing—Salutes Boom from Batteries and Ships—Olympia Takes Up Position at Government Anchorage.

New York, Sept. 28.—Through frolicking whitecaps the Olympia moved majestically up the lower bay yesterday and passed through the picturesque strait guarded by Forts Wadsworth and Hamilton, amid the booming of great guns, and there inside the city gates Admiral Dewey and his gallant tars received the glorious, thunderous welcome of the steel-walled men-of-war as the ship glided up to her position at the head of the column, there to remain until the great naval pageant starts tomorrow. Never before, perhaps, did a triumphant warrior returning from a victorious campaign receive a more thunderous welcome. Though thousands upon thousands witnessed it from shore and the main anchorage at Tompkinsville where the fleet lay fairly swarmed with tugs, yachts and steamers and every sort of harbor craft, all jet black with wild, cheering exultant people and the towering white walls of the city beyond were brave with a million welcoming flags, yesterday's greeting to Dewey was the greeting of his comrades of the navy, and it was eminently fitting that his comrades in arms should have the first chance at him whom the millions are waiting to honor. The people will begin to get at him on Friday and Saturday. To outward appearance, the welcome he received from the fleet was strictly professional. One can find the salutes, the trumpet flourishes, the drum ruffles, the parading of the marine guard and all of the ceremonies done in his honor yesterday, described in the naval regulations as due to one of his rank. But that only impressed the mind the more, because even the naval regulations, inelastic as they were, could not restrain the pent-up enthusiasm when it broke forth, as it did occasionally in rounds of cheers, any more than it could the bell cords of the skippers and the joy shown by the people aboard the excursion boats. Cheering is not permitted by the naval regulations aboard men-of-war, but no reproach followed yesterday's breaches of discipline.

Arrival of the Chicago.

It was a perfect day, though drifting clouds, driven by a strong land breeze, obscured the sun during the morning and the waves of the lower bay were capped with white foam. In the afternoon the flying clouds disappeared, the breeze died away and the sun bathed the sea in brilliance. Very early in the morning, before Dewey left his anchorage inside Sandy Hook, Rear Admiral Howison, commander of the South Atlantic squadron, aboard the Chicago, which arrived outside Tuesday night, travel stained and weather beaten after her journey of 21,000 miles around South Africa, foamed in past the Hook, anxious to join the North Atlantic squadron in receiving Admiral Dewey.

Dewey's flagship was no sooner recognized than preparations were made to give the loudest welcome the ship could give. The guns were manned, the marine guards were paraded and 17 guns were loosed in honor of Dewey.

Wild Cheers from the Crew.

The Chicago's jacks cheered wildly as she steamed past. The Olympia responded with 13 guns, and the two admirals, coming together from the two ends of the earth, waved a welcome to each other. The Chicago continued to the upper bay and in turn was saluted by the New York. Only the flagship of a squadron salutes on the appearance of a rear admiral.

The long lines of crazy quilting, the universal language of the sea, fluttered from the signal halyards of the New York, Rear Admiral Sampson's flagship, and the Chicago, and after a good deal of wigwagging from the bridges of both ships the Chicago dropped her anchor at the foot of the column, close under the lee of Staten Island. Rear Admiral Sampson's blue flag came down as soon as the Chicago found her berth. Rear Admiral Howison is his senior, and to the main truck was hoisted the two-starred red pennant, which denoted that he was out-ranked. It was noted that the Chicago did not go to the head of the column, the place to which she was entitled, because the place was reserved for the Olympia and to have gone there would have forced Dewey's flagship to the end of the ship canal.

Rear Admiral Sampson's gig was manned and he went to pay his respects to Rear Admiral Howison. He was followed by the other ships.

Meanwhile the beautiful white yacht Dolphin, with Assistant Secretary of the Navy Allen aboard, had hurried down to the Olympia. The Dolphin flew a white flag containing four stars with a fouled anchor in the field, the flag of the assistant secretary and Mr. Allen personally was conveying to Admiral Dewey the greetings and compliments of President McKinley. He went aboard in a launch and was received at the gangway by the admiral himself.

Olympia Sails Up the Bay.

An officer from Fort Hancock shortly afterward came aboard to convey the formal welcome of the army, and then a few minutes after 9 o'clock, just as

the tide turned flood, the Olympia weighed anchor and began her journey up the bay. The tugs and harbor craft which had been hovering about since daylight, tooting and shrieking their salutations at every opportunity, fell into her wake and puffed proudly up behind her. Every vessel she passed gave her a vaporous salute, and as the shipping increased the noisy demonstrations became almost continuous. The figure of the hero of the day was in full relief against the sky as he stood on the bridge, chatting with Assistant Secretary Allen, and a group of officers. He occasionally turned and smiled and bowed to the noisy escort. The Olympia was very stately as she came on, her white hull with high free board seemed frail, but the ugly looking guns frowning from sponson and turret showed where laid the power that had destroyed Spain's sea power on the other side of the world.

SHAW AT TOPEKA.

Denies Stories That He Desired to Head Dewey Parade.

TOPEKA, Sept. 28.—Commander-in-Chief Albert D. Shaw of the G. A. R. spoke yesterday at the state encampment and was accorded a rousing reception.

During the day Colonel Shaw denied published stories that he desired to head the Dewey parade. "These stories are infinitely false," he said. "I never thought of such a thing. I wanted an escort of 2,000 old soldiers to be a guard of honor to the admiral and to follow him in the parade."

Later Colonel Shaw issued a statement to the public, submitting facts, "in justification of requests made to Major General Roe, that the veterans be allowed to have the right of line in the Dewey parade." Colonel Shaw cites as precedents the places accorded the veterans at the Chicago jubilee and at the reception of the Tenth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, at Pittsburg, and adds: "In the light of these comparatively recent parades, the latter in honor of our gallant soldiers who served in the Philippines, and who possibly heard some of Admiral Dewey's guns, I could not but feel that the Grand Army comrades of New York, representative of the greatest state in the Union, which sent more men than any other state to preserve the nation from ruin, were as richly entitled to head the line of the Dewey parade as were the comrades of Pennsylvania to lead a similar civic pageant in honor of our Spanish-American war heroes."

"It gives me great pleasure to extend to Governor Roosevelt, as the commander-in-chief of 350,000 G. A. R. veterans, my warm congratulations on the just and patriotic stand he has taken in behalf of the ageing veterans of the nation, in using his influence to have their just request granted, that they lead the parade in the city of New York in honor of the great Admiral Dewey, thus assuring to our newest veterans that, when they grow old in their turn, they shall not be the tail of any public procession."

Patchen Wins in Fast Time.

WICHITA, Kan., Sept. 28.—On his native beach, which he left as a yearling nine years ago, John R. Patchen pushed Joe Patchen to the utmost in the best speed exhibition of the year, Patchen winning in two straight heats in the remarkable time of 2:03½ and 2:02½. Twenty thousand wildly enthusiastic Kansans and Oklahomans, the biggest Patchen-Gentry crowd of the year, cheered the formerly-of-Kansas pacing king and the little black that beat him.

Fatal Fall of Trapeze Performer.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Walter Shaw, while performing on a trapeze at the Chicago opera house last night, fell a distance of 15 feet to the stage. The injuries he received resulted in death. He was a member of the team of Shaw Bros. The other brother was holding by his teeth a ring on which Walter was swinging. He let go the ring, dropping Walter. Several women fainted when Shaw dropped, but were soon restored to consciousness.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Miss Helen Gould has given \$1,250 toward the Dewey home fund.

Aiello & Company, Italian bankers of New York, have made an assignment.

The Society of the Army of West Virginia is holding its annual reunion at Jackson, O.

Forty-six new cases of yellow fever were reported at Key West Tuesday and two deaths.

Lord William Beresford's bay gelding Yumbo, ridden by Sloan, won the Hopeful stakes at Newmarket.

New York and Boston capitalists have bought the Silver Lake gold mine, near Silverton, Colo., for \$2,000,000.

Michael S. Corbett, Detroit manager of the Western Union Telegraph company, died at the Harper Hospital there Tuesday of consumption.

Fire Tuesday destroyed a large portion of one of the best business blocks in Marion, Ill., entailing a loss of \$50,000, including the postoffice.

The big bell in the tower of historic Independence hall at Philadelphia rang out a salute Tuesday afternoon in honor of Admiral Dewey's arrival home.

A. P. Stephenson, a prominent and wealthy merchant of Pittsburg, tried to kill his wife Tuesday and then committed suicide. Stephenson had been drinking heavily for several weeks and during fits of melancholy had frequently threatened to kill himself.

Congressman David B. Henderson, who is a prominent member of the Army of the Tennessee, has been elected an honorary member of the Army of the Cumberland and also vice president for Iowa, in recognition of his services in behalf of the National park at Chickamauga.

## STANDS BY KRUGER.

Orange Free State Unanimous in Supporting Transvaal.

ALL INDICATIONS POINT TO WAR.

Armed Conflict Between Great Britain and the Boers Now Seems Inevitable. Reports from Johannesburg Indicate an Early Outbreak.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Sept. 28.—The volksraad of the Orange Free State has unanimously resolved to instruct the government to use every means to insure peace, without violating the honor or peace of the nation. In a further resolution the volksraad declared its opinion that war would be criminal, but asserted that come what might, the Free State would faithfully fulfill its obligations to the Transvaal, in virtue of the present political alliance.

Boer Plan of Campaign.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—The Johannesburg correspondent of the Morning Post says: "Twenty trucks filled with armed burghers and horses left Johannesburg for the border yesterday by way of Elandsfontein. The plan of campaign drawn up at Pretoria proposes to employ a command of 2,000 men to defeat the slender forces in Rhodesia and to hand the territory over to the natives. It is hoped that a force of 10,000 Boers will be sufficient to rush the Natal border, capture the forts and prevent the landing of reinforcements. It is asserted that before a year is past Russia will interfere by creating a diversion in some portion of the British domains."

A run is commencing on the banks in the Transvaal and Orange Free State. The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "The Boers, I believe, will construe the occupation of Laingnek as an act of hostility. There has been an enormous run on revolvers. The price of Mausers has advanced from £7 to £22. Supplies of all kinds are quickly brought up. President Steyn, it is reported, is about to send his family to the Cape."

At Liverpool it is asserted that the White Star steamer Britannic and other steamers have been engaged as transports to carry troops to South Africa.

Earlier Advice.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—A few days now should witness a definite development in the Transvaal. The volksraad was sitting in secret session last evening and the burghers doubtless had the result of the deliberations of the Orange Free State volksraad to guide them in making a decision as to the reply to Mr. Chamberlain's latest dispatch, which will probably be handed to the British diplomatic agent at Pretoria, Mr. Greene, today and be discussed by the British cabinet tomorrow.

The secretary of state for war, the Marquis of Lansdowne, was busy until a late hour last evening at the war office. A telegram from Naples shows that the British government is buying mules there and in the United States. It is said that 10,000 are purchased, but it will take a month to get them to Africa and a similar time to get an army corps to the front, it is evident that big operations will be impossible until toward the end of October. It is believed the British note will demand the absolute fulfillment of the conventions of 1881 and 1884, which have been violated in numerous points, but will accept a five years franchise.

ENGLAND IS AFTER HORSES.

Rush Orders for Five Thousand Head for Artillery Service.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—The Record says: American horses will drag English ammunition wagons and heavy artillery over the plains of the Transvaal in the event Great Britain and the Boers clash at arms. Orders came from London by cable yesterday to a firm of horse dealers at the Union Stock yards to buy up all the 1,200-pound "gunners" the western market offered and make arrangements for immediate shipment. Stress was laid upon the fact that the animals were wanted for the impending South African campaign and the commission was marked "rush" and "imperative."

The horse market at the yards was stirred by the news. Telegraphic orders were flashed to breeders in Illinois, Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska for reservations of choice stock, with the expectation that the first consignment will leave Chicago for England the latter part of the week.

The specifications that must be adhered to in the selection of the artillery horses, dealers say, will make the filling of such a wholesale order somewhat difficult of accomplishment at this time. It is demanded that the animals be "full made" and weigh not less than 1,200 pounds. The prices which the British government set as a limit range from \$110 to \$125 a head.

One firm declared that the extra high standard demanded would mean a practical cornering of choice stock if a consignment as heavy as 5,000 horses was made.

## MCCOY WHIPS M'CORMICK.

Proves Philadelphia Won by a Fluke in a Former Bout.

New York, Sept. 28.—Before 4,000 people at the Lenox Athletic club last night, Kid McCoy clearly proved that Jack McCormick of Philadelphia, won by a fluke a few weeks ago in Chicago, when he knocked McCoy out. They met at catch weights for a 20 round go and McCoy reversed matters in great shape. He simply smothered the big wrestler. He sent him down several times, but McCormick was not satisfied with these breathing spells, as he lay down without being punched. He also transgressed the rules by holding and wrestling and was frequently cautioned. He feigned being groggy a couple of times, and tried to catch McCoy off his guard so that he could swing his right over. McCoy was not to be fooled by these wiles and kept on the alert all the time. He would certainly have put McCormick to sleep had the big fellow stood up and fought like a man. The spectators became disgusted with McCormick's actions and so did Referee Charley White, who sent him to his corner in the eighth round on account of his dropping and declared McCoy the winner.

TRY TO LYNCH A DETECTIVE.

Chicago, Police Rescue James Washington From a Mob of Colored Men.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Colored men in Chicago last night tried to lynch James Washington, a detective, because he ran down and surrendered to the Tennessee officials Edward Curtis, an escaped convict. Their anger was roused to the point of frenzy because Curtis since his escape had married and led an honest life. The crowd had surrounded Washington's home, 2811 State street, and were crying for vengeance, when a patrol wagon filled with officers came in response to a riot call. The police were compelled to use their clubs freely. Washington was taken to the police station for safety, there being another fight when the officers brought him out of the house. Washington, who was nearly paralyzed with fright, says he is tired of the detective business.

SEPTEMBER BLIZZARD.

Fierce Snowstorm Is Raging in the Red River Valley.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 28.—A special from Grand Forks, N. D., says the fiercest September blizzard within the memory of the oldest inhabitant of the Red river valley is now raging. Rain began to fall early in the day and about dark it turned to snow. The ground is now covered. Snow is falling, driven by a severe southwest wind. Thousands of acres of wheat are still in the shock in the northern part of the state and threshing will be impossible for another week.

Jury Secured in Murder Case.

GARNER, Ia., Sept. 28.—In the case of the state of Iowa vs. Tolbort, under indictment for murder, brought here on change of venue from Cerro Gordo county, a jury has been secured. The state started to introduce its evidence yesterday. It is estimated that about two weeks will be consumed in the trial.

Former Postmaster Arrested.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—James J. McFarlan, former postmaster of Clyde, Kan., was arrested at his home, 554 North Clark street, yesterday, charged with embezzlement of government funds, for which he was recently indicted at Topeka. The prisoner is more than 60 years old.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

The Venezuelan foreign building at Caracas was badly damaged by the explosion of a bomb Wednesday. No one was killed.

The promotion to the grade of rear admiral of Captain A. H. McCormick, commandant of the Washington navy yard, was announced Wednesday.

The Woods Motor Vehicle company has been incorporated under the laws of New Jersey with a capital stock of \$10,000,000 to manufacture automobiles.

The New York, Ontario and Western railroad has re-elected the retiring board of directors except that Grant B. Selley succeeds John G. Moore, deceased.

Thirty days further stay of execution was granted to Mrs. Cordelia Botkin by Judge Cook Wednesday. The appeal to the supreme court is not yet perfected.

Quartermaster Long at San Francisco has reported to the war department that the strike of the boiler-makers at that place will delay the United States transports very little if at all.

"Wild Wood," the log cabin studio of Mrs. Elia W. Peattie, near South Haven, Mich., was burned to the ground. More than 50 of Mrs. Peattie's unpublished manuscripts were destroyed.

Rev. Lewis Lumpkins, who has been preaching at Scottsboro, Ala., 40 years, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years on the charge of inhumanely torturing his little grandson by burning him so badly that the child died.

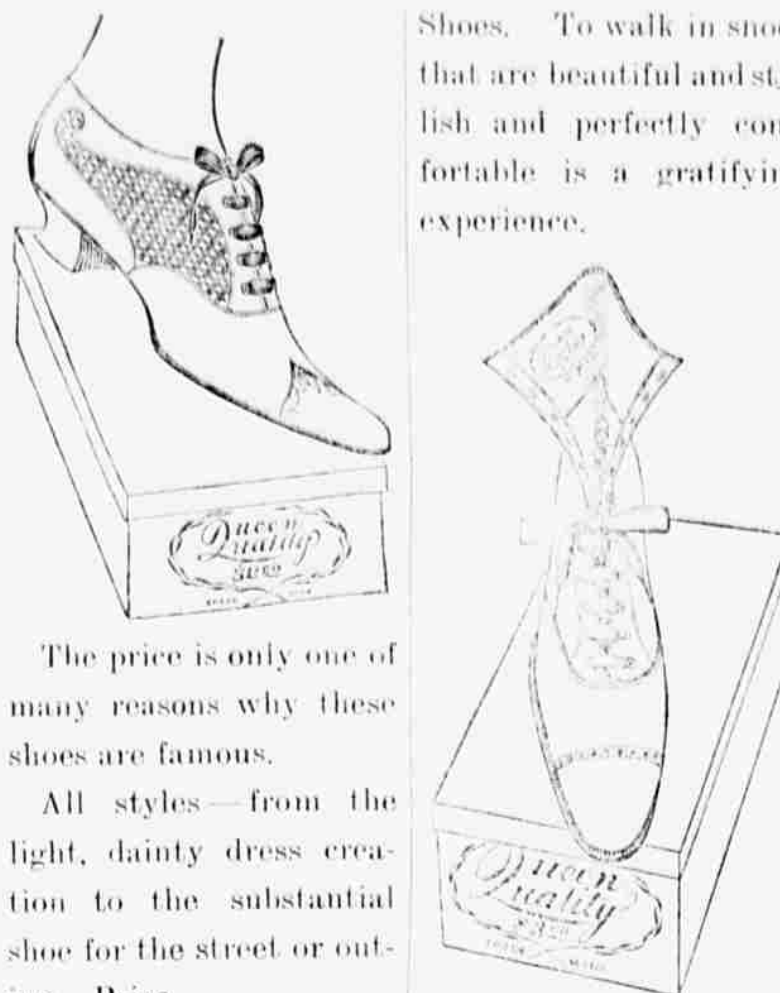
The crew of the Peary steamer Windward have entered suit against her, alleging that they were promised a bonus of one-third in addition to their wages if obliged to winter in the north and that this promise was repudiated on their return.

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